

Ad. *terciam.*

**D**eus in adiuto  
rium meum  
 intende domine

ad adiuuandum me.  
festina **G**loria patri:

filio et spiritui sancto  
**S**icut erat in princi  
pio et nunc et semper

**A**mento salutis  
auctor quod nū  
quondam corporis ex



illibata uirgine nascenti  
do formam sumpseris

**M**aria mater gracie nre  
me tu nos ab hoste prote  
ge in hora mortis suscipe

**G**loria tibi domine q  
natus es de uirgine cum  
patre et sancto spiritu i  
sempiterna secula amen

*ant* Assumpta est ma<sup>a</sup>

**A**d dominu cu tribu  
larer clamaui et

**MEDIEVAL BOOK OF HOURS LEAF, c. 1485**

**IM-11743:** (133 x 90mm – 5 ¼ x 3 ½”) Original leaf from a medieval manuscript *Book of Hours*. 12 lines of ruled text, written in Latin with dark brown ink & red rubrics in lettre batarde script on animal vellum. **One three-line illuminated initial, and two-line illuminated initials** in deep blue and white on a sepia ground with delicate gold penwork; **four one-line illuminated initials** alternating in blue and white, and red and white on a sepia ground with delicate gold penwork; text surrounded on three sides by a burnished gold bar. **Delicate rinceaux border** (recto) in red, blue, brown and green with burnished and brushed gold. Within the border are **strawberries** (symbol of perfect righteousness), and a **bird** resting on a branch in the right margin! France (Paris?), c. 1485

This leaf begins the *Hours of the Virgin – Hour of Terce*. The **three-line illuminated “D” begins:** “Deus...” (Incline unto my aid O God. O Lord make haste to help me. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen). The **two-line illuminated “M” begins the hymn Memento Salutis** (Remember, O Creator Lord, that in the Virgin's sacred womb Thou wast conceived, and of her flesh didst our mortality assume. Mother of grace, O Mary blest, to thee, sweet fount of love, we fly; shield us through life, and take us hence to thy dear bosom when we die. O Jesu! Born of Mary bright! Immortal glory be to Thee; praise to the Father infinite, and Holy Ghost eternally. Amen). The **two-line illuminated “A” opens Psalm 119 (King James 120):** “Ad dominum...” (In my trouble I cried to the Lord...).